fond that the security was actually bank and was actually what it purported to be in the memorandum book? We had been in business with Mr. Schneider and Mr. Hammond, many of us. or thirty years," answered Mr. Page, "To have made such a demand of them would have been a personal insult."
"Were not the suspicions of the committee ever aroused by the large loans to the Calumet Electric? Then came the statement referred to

above: "Never did I see the name of the Calumet Electric Railway appear on this book as an applicant for a loan.' What have you to say about the pubished statements regarding Mr. Hammond's connection with the unexplained

They are all true, every one of them.' Captain Schneider, the president of the bank, lives in a rather showy brick residence at No. 2000 Michigan avenue. He is sevenly-three years of age and in rather feeble health. When called on to-day by a reporter he said he had no statement whatever to make, and he seemed quite broken by the calamity which had befallen him. He was alone, and denied himself to callers, although he had been most of the morning talking over the telephone with the bank people There is no prospect of the bank resuming and it is by no means certain that it

will pay its depositors in full, as at first promised The Illinois Trust and Savings Bank withdrew to-day the sixty-day notice given depositors Tuesday and paid all who called for their money. There was no run whatever. Some of the other savings banks also withdrew the notice and the others that gave it will do likewise, as the anxiety among depositors has entirely

Statement from Eckels.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.-Controller Eckels to-day made the following statement in connection with the statement made in some quarters that efforts should have been made to save the National Bank of Illinois from failing:

"Every legitimate effort possible was made. Before it closed the directors and officers were fully informed and instructed to take immediate steps. The attention of the clearing-house committee was properly called to the bank's condition and I am of the opinion that the course pursued by it was not only justified by the facts, but was a wise, safe and proper thing to be When a bank enters a clearing-house association its officers and directors are not only bound to conduct it in such a way as to prevent loss and scandal to its own lders and creditors, but also to the banks with which it is associated. I regret that such a condition has been deloped in any bank in the system and that any clearing-house association has measures. But in the end it will prove a benefit to all the banks of the country and to every clearing-house association add to the security of bank depositors."

Dreyer and Berger Out on Bond. CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- Dreyer and his partner, Robert Berger, of the banking firm of E. S. Dreyer & Co., which collapsed Monday as a result of the closing of the National Bank of Illinois, and for whose arrest warrants were issued last night, gave themselves up to-day. Arrangements had already been made for bondsmen and the two bankers were promptly released Dreyer and Berger are charged with receiving a deposit on Saturday last, knowing their bank was insolvent.

INCOMPETENT MANAGEMENT. Suit for Dissolution of a St. Louis

Building Association.

ST. LOUIS. Dec. 23 .- On application of Walter F. McEntire, Judge Valliant, of the Circuit Court, to-day issued a summons returnable Saturday against the Southern Saving Fund and Loan Association to reply to the injunction against the company for the dissolution of the concern and for authority of State Treasurer Stevens, ex officio superviser of building and loan asclations, to assume control of it. In a suit already filed Supervisor of Building Associations Grey makes charges of incompetent management and misappropriation of funds against several gentlemen prominent in local financial circles. The officers of the defendant company are, or were: Charles F. Bersch, of the Commercial Bank, president; A. Moore Berry, lawyer, vice president and counsel: Franklin P nes, teller St. Louis Trust Company treasurer. James S. Brock, chief clerk of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, and . K. Yancey, president of Hardin College, exico. Mo., were directors. Inspector Gray states that they have persisted in violating their charter.

Bank of West Superior Closed.

WEST SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec. 23.-The Bank of West Superior, capital \$50,000 and \$50,000 surplus, suspended operations this morning as a direct result of failures of the Bank of Minnesota and the Bank of ois. The notice of suspension stated that the cause was the bank of Minnesota. but the Bank of Illinois weakened it con-siderably. At the November statement the bank had deposits of \$76,947 and rediscounts of \$1,505. The loans and discounts were \$106,947, real estate assets, \$43,419; bonds and securities, \$5,391 and cash on hand, \$22,259.90. Of this cash on hand, \$20,000 was in the outside failures which compelled the insti-tution to close the bank. The officials say they expect to resume and pay depositors in full.

Maine Bank Closed.

AUBURN, Me., Dec. 23.-The American Banking and Trust Company, of Auburn, closed its doors and made application for a receiver to-day.

The directors published a statement at tributing their action to inability to realze on investments sufficiently to meet the demands of depositors. The bank holds mortages on farm and city property in Nebraska, Minesota and South Dakota, and the lateness of the wheat crop, to-gether with the holding by the farmers of their wheat crop for higher prices, has used the stringency of money. The bank has a capital stock of \$75,000. Its available assets are \$130,743.05 and its liabilities \$54,- | publican opponent, by over 5,000 votes.

The Bank of Minnesota.

ST. PAUL. Dec. 23.-Frank A. Seymour and Attorney W. H. Lighter were appointed by Judge Otis to be joint receivers of the Bank of Minnesota. They were required to file a joint bond of \$1,000,000 and will immediately take possession of the bank. There is no excitement to-day in siness circles, the assurance that sitors in the bank would be paid in full being sufficient to allay all fears, as was made by different stockholders of the bank who individually could more than pay the depositors. The other banks were all transacting business as usual, with no signs of trouble anywhere.

Two Bank Wreckers Bailed. DENVER, Dec. 23.-Charles H. Dow and Sidney McClurken, the convicted Commercial Bank officials, gave bond in the United States Court for \$10,000 for their appearance on Jan. 22, at which time Judge Hallet will pass sentence. C. Miller, who was convicted with Dowes McClurken, has not yet eiven bail and is still in the custody of Deputy Marshal Poe, hunting for bonds-

Other Business Troubles. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 23.-The Parsonselletier Dry Goods Company, one of the

lid not open for business to-day. The stock is in the hands of mortgagees, who hold ims against the firm for \$91,533. The general stringency of the times. NEW YORK. Dec. 23.-The New York

and New Jersey Lumber Company, a West Virginia corporation, to-day as- purse, which was said to be \$2,500, was signed to Harwood R. Pool. The company placed in the hands of a responsible perwas incorporated in 1892. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-Solomon Sayles,

wholesale and retail dealer in meats and provisions, has assigned to Charles A. Hess without preferences.

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 23.-Macpherson & stated that all those present would receive Co., hat manufacturers, assigned to-day. No statement of liabilities has been pre-

Midcontinental Poultry Show.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23 .- Something like 4,000 specimens of poultry, together with many varieties of pigeons, cockatoos, heasants and other members of the feath ery kingdom, combined in one grand cackle and crow to-day at the opening of the secand annual midcontinental poultry show, Exhibitors with birds that had won prizes n the hest shows of the world, were there and many of the specimens had never been een in the Southwest before. Breeder Menati, is here with 300.

Willow Mattress Affont.

HELENA, Ark., Dec. 23 .- A section of the illow mattress made by the gov at fleet at this point broke away this the river. The section is 500 by 290

COERCION PROBABLE

POWERS ARE AGAIN LOSING PA-TIENCE WITH TURKEY'S RULER.

Warships May Be Sent to the Gates of Constantinople if Latest Proposals are Rejected.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- A dispatch from Constantinople says: "All the embassadors have now received instructions to concert fresh proposals, with the view of improving the situation in the Ottoman empire. The proposals, before being submitted to the Sultan, will be referred to their respective governments. All the powers, including Russia, as repeatedly announced during the past few months, have agreed in principle to the expediency of employing coercion should the Sultan be recalcitrant. But the form of coercion to be employed will not be determined on until an emergency arises."

As frequently announced from various capitals since the visit of the Czar to the Queen at Balmoral in September last, the powers have finally become convinced that the Sultan's promises amount to nothing and they are determined to begin a policy of coercion. All information points to the accuracy of the above news received from Constantinople. The Marquis of Salisbury on Monday last summoned the embassadors to the Foreign Office and communicated to them the views of the British government on the definite proposals of Russia for joint intervention in order that each embassador might communicate them to his own government and thus enable the representatives of the powers at Constantinople to be properly instructed. There is reason to believe that unless the Sultan within the next ten days shows a deference, of which at present he is little suspected, very decisive steps will be undertaken in the name of the joint powers. In this connection, the Novoe Vremya of St. Petersburg says, it is probable that within a few days the Russian Black sea fleet will appear in the been called upon to take such drastic Bosphorus, where it will be joined by the

A Constantinople dispatch to the Chronicle says that the Sultan invited the Armenian patriarch, Mgr. Ormanian, to sign a document admitting that the Armenians were solely responsible for the recent troubles, thanking the Sultan for his clemency, declaring on behalf of the Armenians that they are completely satisfied with the reforms instituted, and that they are not desirous of foreign interference. The Chronicle's correspondent says: "The patriarch refused to sign this statement, and quitted the patriarchate and sent his resignation to the Porte. It has not yet been accepted."

Mme. Stambuloff's Grewsome Relic. SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 23.—The trial of the assassins of ex-Premier Stambuloff was continued to-day and is proceeding slowly. Mme. Stambuloff was not present this morning. A newspaper draws attention to the fact that Mme. Stambuloff has her late husband's hands (which were so terribly mutilated by the knives of his murderers that they had to be amputated previous to his death) preserved in the room in which he died. They are crossed like a pair of fencing gloves under a glass case, above which hangs a photograph of the mutilated

Pope Leo's Lament. ROME, Dec. 23.-The Pope received solemn audience to-day the cardinals and prelates, who tendered him the season's greetings. The reception took place in the throne room. His Holiness appeared to be in excellent health, and in a clear voice replied to the usual protests against the position of the Holy See. He asked what was the use of laws for the safeguard and dignity of the Pope, when even his charitable and disinterested idea of consoling the Italian prisoners in Abyssinia had been made a public target for outrage and calumny.

Floods in Sicily and Greece. CATANIA, Sicily, Dec. 23 .- Heavy rains have flooded the valley of the Simeto river and much damage has resulted. Eight per-

ATHENS, Dec. 23.-Great floods in northern Greece have caused an overflow of the Salambria river. Enormous damage has been done, villages have been inundated and a number of persons have been

Earl Russell's Residence Burned. LONDON, Dec. 23.-Earl Russell's Riverside residence at Maidenhead, on the Thames, was gutted by fire early this morning. It is rumored that the fire was of incendiary origin. Since the trial of the earl's suit against his mother-in-law, Lady Selina Scott, and three male defendants.

one of whom, Kast, died recently in jail, his lordship has been the recipient of several threatening letters. Representative-Elect Bodine III. PARIS, Mo., Dec. 23.-R. N. Bodine, of this city, congressman-elect from this dis-

trict, is very ill of pneumonia. At the late election Mr. Bodine, who was the Democratic candidate, carried the Second district by an overwhelming majority, defeating Chrales A. Loomis, of Chillicothe, his Re-Each Hit His Man. STUTTGART, Dec. 23.-In a duel with

pistols fought near here to-day Baron Von Wangerheim, secretary of the German le gation at Copenhagen, and Lieutenant Von Gylleband, the former was wounded in the kidneys and the latter in the abdomen. Both combatants were taken to the hospital.

Cable Notes. Senor Pomero, the Argentine minister of

finance, has resigned. It is officially stated that the bubonic plague is increasing at Bombay. Karachi, the seaport of Sinde, is also declared to be infected

The Figaro, of Paris, intimates that, owing to the difficulties between France and Great Britain in regard to Egypt and Turkey, the post of Baron De Courcel, French embassador to the Court of St. James, may be left vacant for a while.

REFUSED TO FIGHT.

Lavigne and McKeever Wanted the Prize Money Put Up.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-The tight for lightweight honors between Kid Lavigne of Saginaw. Mich., and Charley McKeever, treest houses of the kind in Stoux City. of Philadelphia, did not take place to-night at the Marlborough Athletic Club, Lone Island City. The clubhouse was only half failure is due to insufficient capital and the filled when the preliminary bout began. Neither Lavigne nor McKeever would consent to fight unless the full amount of the placed in the hands of a responsible person. McKeever and Lavigne entered the ring accompanied by Announcer Harvey, who informed those present that for reasons which he could not divulge the two men could not meet to-night. He further cheeks as they passed out at the doors, which would be duly honored by the Greater New York Athletic Club, Coney Island on Jan. 1, on which date the managers of that club had promised to pull off the fight and guaranteed the purse. To the surprise of every one the crowd went out

quietly and there was no disturbance. Choynski and Sharkey. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 23.-"Parson Davies, who is in the city to-night, announces that he has deposited with Al Smith, of New York, \$1,000 for a match between Chonynski and Sharkey for a purse Neil, of London, Canada, alone has 860 fowls of \$5,000, which will be offered by Dan on exhibition, while Mr. Ewald, of Cincin- Stuart. The fight, if the terms are agreed to by Sharkey, will be pulled off on the same date and the same place as the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

Scheme of German Merchants.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23 .- German merchants are contemplating a scheme of wonderful magnitude in Japan, according to the et in size and may prove a dangerous ob-acle to boats down the river. The mat-ess broke in two in the middle owing to and other big concerns, are combining to a very stiff current at the point where it form a syndicate in order to get all the orders of the Japanese government, which are \$100,000.

to be given in consequence of the military extension and other schemes projected subsequent to the war with China, and to import everything required in Japan through their own hands. Should the scheme be carried out Great Britain, America, France and other countries will be driven out of the market.

GENEROUS ROBBERS.

After Stealing a Watch They Returned It as a Christmas Present.

CONNEAUT, O., Dec. 23.-Early this morning four masked men entered the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Tweedy, an aged couple residing three miles south of this city, and, afer binding and gagging the old people, ransacked the house for hidden money. They secured \$14 in cash belonging to the church and a gold watch, which latter they brought back after leaving the house and made Mrs. Tweedy a Christmas present of it. The robbers escaped. An armed posse is searching the surrounding country for them.

BIG STRIKE POSTPONED

BOSTON STREET-CAR MEN INTEND-ED TO QUIT LAST MIDNIGHT.

But. After Conferring with Officers of the Company, Decided to Continue Work Until Dec. 30.

BOSTON, Dec. 23 .- The conductors and motormen of the West End Street-railway threatened to strike this midnight, but at that hour postponed it till Dec. 30. If the tie-up of the road had occurred, it would have caused widespread discomfort to not only city residents, but to suburbanites for miles around, greater discomfort than ordinarily, owing to the enormous patronage

of the surface lines by holiday shoppers.

That the strike question is not one of sudden decision is indicated by an interview with a union official, who said: "The trouble between the corporation and the men has been brewing for some time. From the nine divisions of the road complaints have been received at the union's squadrons of the other powers from the headquarters that the division superintendents, the claims department and the other departments of the road have been crowding the men, overworking also laying them off and discharging them without sufficient cause. The men got to be so restive over their treatment that the union officials were oblighed to take cognizance of the complaints. The climax came when several employes, who made individual complaints of their treatment, were summarily discharged. The effect of the treatment was that the men joined the divisional unions, and when they were sufficiently strong, the union officials prepared an agreement which would remove the cause of complaints which have been gradually increasing since the agreement of 1894 went out of existence.

"On presenting this new agreement to President Little he referred the conference committee, who had charge of the matter for the union, to Superintendent Rugg with the statement that the latter official had full power to adjust matters. Two conferences were held between Superintenreported to the joint unions that practically all the things asked of the management had been conceded, excepting a request for \$2.50 a day, an increase of 25 cents on the wages of the present time. Owing to this demand being the only obstacle to the completion of the agreement the urion voted to leave the wages as they were namely, \$2.25 a day. This action of the union was conveyed to Superintendent Rus; by letter. The latter replied a few days later, saying that he did not have the power to sign the agreement and referred the committee to President Little, request was immediately forwarded to President Little for the conference, but up to the present time no reply has been reby the committee. The men were onsiderably aroused over the fact that no reply was made to their letter. They fear that the subordinate officials will crowd them worse in the future than in the past. They also fear that the management will increase their day's work, which they claim is already extended beyond the ten hours in twelve stipulated by law for street railway employes in this commonwealth.' Early this evening Superintendent Rugg. of the railway company, waited upon the executive committee of the union and was conference with it for about half an hour, after which the conference committee went to the offices of the company and had a four hours' conference with President Little, Superintendent Rugg and other officials of the road. During that time the grievances of the men were taken up and the various articles of the agreement discussed. At 9:30 o'clock President Little said that it would be impossible for him to sign the agreement until the matter had been fully discussed by the directors of the road, and he advocated that the matter remain in abeyance and the strike order be revoked for a few days until this could be accomplished. The conference committee thereupon returned to headquarters, where it placed the proposition of President Little before the executive committee. It was decided to leave the matter in abeyance until Dec. 30, but that if no conference was called for by the roads before then the tie-up would take place at midnight on that date. If the tie-up had oc-curred it would have involved between 3,000

and 4,000 men. DR. CARVER DEFEATED

Charles H. Grimm Now Champion Live Bird Shot of America.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- Charles H. Grimm, of Clear Lake, Ia., is the champion trap shot of America. In the match between Grimm and Dr. Carver to-day, at 100 birds, for \$200 a side and the championship of America, Grimm won by a score of 98 to 96. Trap shooters have several emblems of championship, but the one generally recognized as the real emblem is the castiron medal, held until to-day by Dr. Carver. Jack Winston, of Washington, Ind., who has championship designs, intended to shoot Dr. Carver for the medal, but now that the latter has lost it "Happy Jack" must challenge Grimm, and those know Winston say he has the audacity to

Grand American Handicap. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-The committee appointed by the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trap Shooting to select grounds for the coming grand American handicap, which is scheduled to take place on March 23, 24 and 25, made its renament and classification committee held in this city. The committee reported favorably on Elkwood Park at Long Branch and will be given in prizes between the high and low guns. It was also voted to refuse all entries to the handicap that were deemed objectionable by the committee in

THREE CHILDREN PERISH Locked Themselves in the Closet of a

Burning House. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 23.-Three children of Mrs. McKim, who live near Franklin. Pa., were burned to death last evening at their home. The mother went to visit a neighbor, leaving her four children in the house. In a short time afterwards she was notified that her home was on fire and, in company with John Taylor, a neighbor, rushed to the rescue. Taylor succeeded in getting one of the children from the burning building, but the other three, who had locked themselves in a closet for safety, could not be found by him until after the house was destroyed, when their charred remains were taken from the debris. Mrs. McKim is prostrated and is in danger of losing her reason.

Other Losses. GLENDIVE, Mont., Dec. 23.-Fire early to-day completely destroyed the extensive machine shops and all but one section of he roundhouse belonging to the Northern Pacific road, Loss, \$55,000, Fourteen engines in the roundhouse were saved. All pairs in the shops were destroyed.

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 23.-Fire in the fashionable residence part of the city todestroyed portions of the house of Frank May, the wholesale dry-goods man; that the barkentine was in a bad plight. John Gault, superintendent of the Mer- Her bulwarks were almost all gone, and chants' Bank, and Judge Doherty. It is the seas washed across her decks continually. Captain J. Ystinas, of the Solid, refused to abandon her. Shortly after the Bremer-

REURN HOME OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT AND HIS WIFE.

Several Politicians Awaiting His Arrival-William Jennings Bryan Welcomed to Atlanta.

CANTON, O., Dec. 23.-President-elect and Mrs. McKinley, accompanied by Miss Duncan, of Cleveland, Major McKinley's niece, and others, composing the Chicago party, reached Canton this afternoon. They left Chicago at 11:30 Thursday night, taking the slow train in order that Mrs. McKinley might be disturbed as little as possible. The President-elect and Mrs. McKinley occupied the private car of Vice President J. Twing Brooks, in which Major McKinley left Canton a week ago. Both Major and Mrs. McKinley were pleased to get home. The trip seems to have benefited both greatly, and they are enjoying better health. The President-elect and Mrs. Mc-Kinley were driven direct to their residence. Miss Duncan went to the home of Mother McKinley, where she will be a guest over Christmas. A number of people were at the depot to meet the Presidentelect and his wife. As they alighted from the special car and made their way to the coach through a passage way swept clear of snow by an employe of the road, Major McKinley and his wife bowed pleasantly to all, the former raising his silk hat to many. Passengers on the train were anxious to get a glimpse of their famous fellow-travelers, and a score or more men stepped out of the car to get a better view and possibly a hand-shake. On arriving at their residence the major and his wife were heartily greeted by the

household. In the absence of its mistress the house has been thoroughly renovated and brightened in readiness for the home-Awaiting the arrival of Major McKinley were several distinguished men from the West, including Secretary of State McFarland, of Iowa, and C. A. Atkinson, of Lincoin, Neb. Speaking of the sentiment in his State in reference to havng Senator Allison a member of the Mc-Kinley Cabinet Mr. McFarland said the people are with one mind in that respect, but he personally did not believe Senator Allison would accept any portfolio but secretary of state, if indeed he would take Mr. Atkinson had been on a visit to relatives in Jackson county, Ohio, he said. and had come here to see Major McKinley on no personal matters, but because he had opportunity. Another man who was in the city waiting for an opportunity to call on Major McKinley was L. Bradford Prince, a prominent Republican of New Mexico, John A. Logan, of Youngstown, called soon after the McKinleys reached

Bryan at Atlanta.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 23.-Hon William . Bryan arrived in Atlanta last night from Chicago. At an early hour this morning he was called on at the Kimball House by Governor Atkinson and escorted to the executive mansion, where he will remain as the Governor's guest during his stay in Atlanta. At the Kimball House Mr. Bryan was welcomed by Governor Atkinson in behalf of the State, by Mayor King in behalf of the city and by Mr. Jack J. Spalding in behalf of the league. To these addresses Mr. Bryan responded briefly. Repeated calls were then made for ex-Secretary Hoke Smith, who was present in response to a special invitation from the eague. Mr. Smith, in acknowledging the calls, spoke pleasantly of Mr. Bryan personally, while reiterating the disagreement between them on the financial issue. Mr. Bryan made his first appearance on the lecture platform at the Grand Opera House to-night. The house, which seats 3,000 people, was filled. Mr. Bryan was cheered when he appeared on the stage. He spoke for one hour on essential principles of good citizenship, presenting his re-marks under the title of "The Ancient Landmarks." At the end hundreds crowded around to shake his hand. Mr. Bryan referred to the silver question only inciden-

Cannot Punish Nonvoters. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.-The State Supreme Court to-day decided that

the section of the charter of Kansas City providing that each qualified voter who fails to vote at a general election should be taxed \$2.50, is invalid. It was a test case, in which the city brought suit against a voter who had failed to vote to recover the tax. The court, in its decision, says: "Who can estimate the money value to the public of a vote? It is degrading to the franchise to associate it with such an idea. The ballot of the humblest in the land may mold the

destiny of the Nation for ages.

Tanner for Madden. CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- The Post to-day says hat Governor-elect Tanner has at last declared himself on the United States senatorial question, and has come out squarely in support of Alderman Martin B. Madden, of Chicago. This statement, it is claimed was made to a representative of a morning paper, who went to Mr. Tanner and asked him squarely how he stood. The governorelect is said to have declared his friendship for Madden and a determination to work with the Cook county managers for

Portrait Slasher Not Prosecuted. CHICAGO, Dec. 23.-Jeremiah Sullivan, who was arrested on the charge of having slashed the portrait of Grover Cleveland which bung in the rooms of the Couna technicality. The point was raised that the ownership of the portrait was proved and that the representatives of the club did not prove the club to be a cor-

Official Vote of Utah. SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 23.-The official count of the vote of Utah at the last eleclows: McKinley, 13,484; Bryan, 64,535; Palmer, 21. For Congress; King (Dem.), 47,362; Hollrook (Rep.), 27,813; Forster (Pop.),

STRUCK BY A NORTHER

Bark Jamaica, Her Crew and Twelve Passengers Lost. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 23 .- A terrific

stown occurred in the Gulf of Campeche on the 11th and 12th of this month, and among other casualties reported is the wreck of the bark Jamaica, with twelve passengers and the crew lost. The Jamaica was bound from Campeche to Vera Cruz, and had a valuable cargo and some treasure aboard. She encountered a norther on the night of port to-day before a meeting of the tour- the 11th, but got through till the afternoon of the next day. So long as the ship rethe grounds at Elizabeth. A committee was appointed to reapportion the money which Vera Cruz was sighted, but one accident after another occurred to the rigging, finally making it impossible to live in the enormous seas. With almost all the sails blown away the Jamaica returned and attempted to get back to Campeche, but without success. The rudder became disabled, throwing the vessel at the mercy of the storm, The passengers took to the boats, which were repeatedly swamped. Most of the crew simply put on life preservers and jumped into the sea. The captain was one of these. He strapped one hundred Mexican dollars on him, and, clinging to a barrel, tried to reach shore. The survivors saw him sink, owing to the weight of the money. The sight was a terrible one, as one passenger after another sank, the boats proving unmanageable. The crew was all drowned, and only three men and a boy escaped of the passengers. The vessel sank soon after she was abandoned. The wreck occurred off the port of Dos Rosa Tabaco.

The Solid and Crew Probably Lost. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-There is reason to fear for the fate of twelve men, comprising the officers and crew of the Danish iron barkentine Solid, 340 tons. On the evening of Dec. 15 the barkentine attracted the attention of those on board the Dutch tank steamer Bremerhaven, in latitude 47:50, longitude 41:40, and asked that the Bremerhaven send some bread on board, the supply having fallen short. It was explained machinery and four engines undergoing re- | that the Solid's boat had been stove, and that it was, therefore, impossible to send to the Bremerhaven for the food. An officer of the tanker, who went on board with a supply of bread, beef and potatoes, reported

haven's boat returned to her the weather came on thick, and the Solid was lost to

No Steamer Ashore.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-The rumors last night that there was a steamer ashore on the south side of Long island cannot be verified to-day. A number of vessels reached quarantine to-day, and it is possible that the whistling heard along the shore last night, and which gave rise to the rumor that a steamer was ashore, was made by one or more of these steamers during the thick snowstorm, which then prevailed.

Encountered Terrific Sens. QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 23.-The White Star line steamship Majestic, Captain Smith, from New York on Dec. 16, which arrived here at 11 o'clock this morning, reports having experienced dreadful weather, especially on Friday last. Dec. 18, when she encountered terrific seas. The Majestic passed

an iceberg on Dec. 19 in latitude 45:50 north

and longitude 47:14 west. RABIES NOT CURED.

Pasteur Treatment Failed to Save Baltimore Boy's Life.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.-The Pasteur treatment for rabies has failed in the case of Robert Henry, the youngest of the five boys bitten by a dog, supposed to have had rabies, in this city about a month ago. The child died Monday evening in terrible agony. A fund was raised by subscrip- No name has been given to the new hotel. tion and the boys were sent to the Pasteur Institute, in New York, where they were given the full course of treatment under the direction of Dr. Gibser. Lawrence Wilson, another of the boys, is still under treatment at the institute. His mother is with him. A telegram received from Dr. Gibser stated that the lad's wound was not in good condition, and the conditions were unfavorable. The little Henry boy had three or four terrible spasms to-day. His speech was thick and indistinct, and partial paralysis of the muscles set in this morning. At the sight of a basin of water he went into violent convulsions. His father and another man held him. For several minutes after the convulsion he appeared to be suffocating. All the other children are in good condition, although their relatives are alarmed at the unfortunate turn in Henry's condition.

The mad-dog scare continues throughout the city and neighboring counties. Dogs found on the street without muzzles are quickly killed. Peter Miller, of Woodstock. Howard county, was bitten by a supposed in the town. He attracted every man and animal that came in his way. After biting Mr. Miller in the hand the dog fought a half dozen other dogs. After vanquishing his antagonists the dog passed on to Davis's Station, four miles distant, where he attacked a calf owned by William Moody. Mr. Moody, hearing the snarling of th dog and the bleating of the calf, left his bed to investigate. As he approached the dog sprang at his throat, but he evaded the animal and killed him with an ax.

TOSSED BY A TEXAS STEER

J. C. Bohart Hurt and Nelson Morris Forced to Jump a Fence.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.-Nelson Morris, th millionarie packer, had a narrow escape from being gored by a furious Texas steer to-day. J. C. Bohart, of the Bohart Commission Company, did not fare as fortunately, and was badly hurt. Mr. Morris and Mr. Bohart went into the cattle pen at the stock yards to inspect a consignment of cattle, and things were agreeable all around until Mr. Morris proded with his cane a steer with abnormally wide horns that was lying down in a corner of the pen The steer jumped up with a snort and made a charge for the men. There was a of his wife in Trinity churchyard. The famwild rush for the fence, Mr. Morris leading, Mr. Bohart a close second, the steer third and gaining rapidly. Mr. Morris just man aged to get on the other side of the fence, but he had not more than three inches to spare. The first object that met his eye as he turned around to look at things, was the form of Mr. Bohart coming down from up in the air somewhere. The steer had aught him squarely and thrown him high. When he descended he fell with a mighty splatter into a feed trough, and to this fact he owes his life. The steer made frantic efforts to gore him, but its horns were so wide it could not get them down into the trough where Mr. Bohart lay unconscious, Mr. Morris pounded the steer over the head with a piece of scantling, but could not drive it away, and not until the cattle had been driven into another pen, could steer be made to move away from the trough. Mr. Bohart's shoulder was dislocated, he was badly cut on the head and neck, and terribly bruised. His injuries, though serious, are not fatal.

GUNBOAT LAUNCHED.

Annapolis Slid from the Stay Into Staten Island Sound.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-The gunboat Annapolis, destined for service as the practice cruiser for the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, Md., was successfully launched at the Crescent ship yards, at Elizabeth, N. J., at 10:30 a. m. to-day, Miss Georgie Porter, daughter of Lieutenant Theodoric Porter, and a granddaughter of the late Admiral Porter, broke the customary bottle of wine on the vessel's bow as it glided in the waters of Staten Island sound, exclaiming at the same time, "I christen thee Annapolis."

The Annapolis is a vessel of entirely new type, so far as our navy is concerned, in that it is of composite construction, all of the framing being of steel, but planks of before that he had bought homes there. Georgia pine being worked on the frames | was in April, 1892, that he bought Cliveden, below the water line, secured by composi- the seat of the Duke of Westminster, in tion bolts in such manner as to prevent gal- | Buckinghamshire. And now his "Tuesfanic action and being then covered with days" at Carlton Terrace and his "week copper. This will make the vessel largely days" at Cliveden are recognized features independent of docking facilities and economical in the use of fuel. Another feature of the vessel that distinguishes it from other naval ships is the use of full sail power in addition to steam. It will be barkentine rigged and will sail twelve knots an hour without using its engines. It is a sister ship to the Vicksburg and Newport, of 1,000 tons displacement, drawing twelve feet of water, and 168 fet long by 36 feet beam.

JOHN SNYDER'S WILL.

An Ohlo Millionaire's Legacy to an Illegitimate Son.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 23,-The will of the millionaire bachelor, John Snyder, reveals the fact that the deceased left a son, Charles Brussman by name. The latter is fifty-two years of age and has always led his will, leaves Brussman \$25,000 in United States bonds, the interest on which he to have for eleven years. Ex-Mayor Johnson is appointed trustee of the fund. at the end of the eleven years the SOT saves one-fourth of his total income for the period, then the whole \$25,000 is to be turned over to him. It is also provided that he must pay his debts in order to ultimately get the amount in full. John Snyder has made many gifts to the city, his latest being \$100,000 in govern-ment bonds to the sick and poor of the city. The son's mother was a neighbor of the Snyders. She and John fell in love and arranged to get married, when Sny-der's parents objected, and the union was never consummated. A son was born, however, in whom the father always took the greatest interest. It is said that if the son had been at all temperate he would have inherited a million dollars or more.

Philharmonic Club Protests. To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal:

At a full meeting of the Philharmonic Club Dec. 15 the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, We hear the hoard of directors of the Indiana May Festival Association has offered the position of musical director to Mr. Van der Stucken, of Cincinnati, having refused a suitable contract offered them by the former director, F. X. Arens; and, Whereas, It is universally conceded that under Mr. Arens's direction the festival has been a brilliant success musically, and his ability is unquestioned by all; be it "Resolved, That the Philharmonic Club protest against this action, because it is unnecessary from a musical point of view and shows a lack of city and State pride, as well as a total disregard of all the musical public, and will be a reflection on the

fine reputation already achieved here

HARRY W. BALLARD, Secretary.

through the efforts of our own musicians,

"Indianapolis, Dec. 21."

WILLIE WALDORF ASTOR

TO SEVER ALL HIS CONNECTIONS WITH HIS NATIVE COUNTRY.

It Is Said All His Vast Real-Estate Holdings in New York City Are to Be Disposed Of.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-William Walderf Astor's vast holdings of real estate in New York to be sold as fast as possible without sacrifice! That is the story in real-estate circles. Those in a position to know the business doings of the Astor family could not be induced to affirm or deny it. One prominent real-estate man said he knew it was true, but he would give no details. Such a move on the part of the expatriated member of the great Astor family has been expected for a long time. It is well established that he has sold the Waldorf Hotel to John Jacob Astor, his cousin, who is building the new hotel adjoining. George C. Boldt has the management of the new hotel. He admits that the two hotels are to be managed as one. There will common kitchen and common storerooms. When it is finished there is reason to believe that a new name will be selected for the combined hotels and the name of Waldorf dropped.

It is significant, in connection with the story of the unloading of his real estate, that William Waldorf Astor's name does not appear this year on the list of Patriarchs. That is an honored list. No one whose name is on it relinquishes it without good reason. One by one the ties are being severed. Mr. Astor said, when he left New York in 1894, after having laid the body of his wife in Trinity churchyard, that America was not a place for a gentleman to live in. Every move he has made since indicates that he does not intend to live here

When the real estate shall have gone into other hands, only one thing will remain to remind us that William Waldorf Astor once was a New Yorker. That will be the annual dinner to the newsboys. A noble muffins who cheer us with cries of the news was the idea of Mrs. William Waldorf Astor. Before she died in England she asked her husband to promise her that the newsboys always should have their Thanksgiving feast. They had it in 1895, and they had it again this year. Mr. Astor is not the man to ignore a request from such a source. Nearly all the vast Astor fortunes are in real estate. William Waldorf Astor's hold-

ings are the largest of all. They are scattered all over the city. The locations were good, showing the farsightedness of his prosperous ancestors. It will take a long ime to dispose of it all to advantage. The Hotel Netherland, for instance, may not be considered a bargain at ordinary figures. Then there is the valuable lot at Broadway and Exchange place, upon which Exchange Court stands. Old John Jacob Astor paid \$1,000,000 for that piece of property. In these days of sky-scrapers it may not be looked upon as a good investment. liam Waldorf Astor realizes anis, and half a dozen times he has passed on plans for a sky-scraper for it. It was said only recently that work would begin next May. If he does build, that will not disprove a desire to get rid of it. Sky-scrapers sell

Mr. Astor's judgment that New York is not a fit place for a gentleman to live in is not the real reason for his expatriation. He was cut to the quick by the conduct of his aunt, Mrs. William Astor, and her children when he came to New York to lay the body ily feud did not yield at the tomb. How the feud began is not certain. Some say it be gan with the rivalry at Newport of Mrs William Astor and Mrs. William Waldort Astor for the title of "Mrs. Astor." Others say it had its foundation in the trouble J. Coleman Drayton had with his wife, born Augusta Astor, now the bride of the London whisky merchant, George Haig. Mrs. William Waldorf Astor was a Paul

of Philadelphia. The Pauls and the Dray-

tons were close friends. When the trouble

came the Pauls of Philadelphia comforted

Mr. Drayton. And when Mrs. William Astor

brought her daughter home from Europe and tried to rehabilitate her in the eyes o society, the Pauls and the Draytons and all their connections made such an outcry that the then Mrs. Drayton had to go back to Europe without her "vindication." That was a hard thing for Mrs. William Astor to forgive, and her anger went out to all the Pauls, including the wife of her nephew. William Waldorf. And when he brought home his wife's body Mrs. Astor went to gay dinners, and all her children plunged into unwonted social gayety. Driven out by unquenchable antipathy, they kept up th round of splendid festivity as long as Mr Astor was here. He never can forgive that, The United States is not large enough to hold him and the relatives who gave him such an affront in the hour of his deepest sorrow. But before he left there was another incident which prejudiced him against the land of his birth. An enterprising florist, in order, it is believed, to advertise himself, gave out a story that he had been engaged to lay a blanket of orchids upon the grave of Mrs. Astor every day for a year. He surrounded the story with so much circumstantial detail that the newspapers printed columns about it, and made pictures of the designs for the blanket of orchids. Mr. Astor hurried away while the ink with which the stories was printed was not dry. And he vowed never to set foot in America again. He has not been here since. He has been in the Hotel Waldorf only once, and then only for a few minutes work in London with the vim of a man who was in earnest. It was no longer the fad of an American millionaire-it was the business of an English gentleman. Long of London society Rumor has had him engaged to be mar

ried to more than one English celebrity. He has entertained the Prince of Wales. When he did that there seemed to be no doubt left that he was an Englishman. was the Sunday before this year's Derby. The Prince came in a vacht and was entertained royally for two nights and a day. The resplendent Astor livery flashed al over the beautiful grounds. The livery is a scarlet silk suit with knee breeches and white stockings. Lady Randolph Churchill was a guest at the same time, and there were many other persons of quality. And when the Prince's horse won the Derby Mr. Astor's editors were set to work under hurry orders to get out Derby "specials. So well did the editors do their task that London publications made note of it. This is what one had to say in commenting on Mr. Astor's exploits: "This is how your American democrats toady to royalty We would advise Astor to get himself speedily naturalized, and to go in for a title and a ribbon, or some such other humbug. This new style of Anglo-American journalism will come to be known as the 'Astor crawl.' But comments like this are not common. Everything goes to indicate that Mr. Astor is getting on swimmingly. Hence many will accept the story that he has given orders for the sale of

for further corroboration. CITY NEWS NOTES.

his New York real estate without waiting

Lavena Yancy has been granted a divorce from Thomas Yancy. Mrs. Mary J. Thomas, who has been at the head of the millinery department at L. S. Ayres & Co.'s for twenty-four years and is favorably known throughout the State has resigned and to-day will be her last in connection with the position. Mrs. Thomas will make her home in this city, where she owns property. Miss Elizabeth C. Massey, who has been associated with Mrs. Thomas for a number of years, will succeed Mrs. Thomas.

The children's chorus will give a concert at Tomlinson Hall Monday evening. The programme will be given entirely by children, and a surprisingly good performance will reward those who attend. There will be solos and concerted numbers and a number of instrumental selections will be given. The chorus has been in rehearsal a year under Mr. Arens. The music is especially selected. A number of wellknown ladies will be patronesses for this

Increased Call for Aid.

"There is an increasing number of calls for aid at the charity organizations," said Secretary Grout in casual conversation yesterday, "and they include many who have borne up under the long period of hard times until they have reached the end before appealing for aid. Many a family to whom Christmas has always meant the full American good cheer of regular work and income will spend a sorry day this

year unless those who have an abundance look beyond their own hearthstone. It is a time for churches to give closer attention than ever to their members. If the church boards know of members who have long had little or irregular work it is fair to presume that after so long a period of partial idleness the family resources have been pared down pretty thin and that pride and former standing may alone them from making their needs known. There have never been so many cases of real and deserving need among so good & class of people as there is now. The panic of 1893 was not nearly so bad in its effects. The charity organization is trying to reach all and is doing effective work in affording relief to many whose opportuni-ties for self-support have never before been

FOR FAMISHING PEOPLE.

Shipload of Corn to Be Sent to India by Illinois Methodists.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-At a meeting of the board of managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church a proposition was presented from the Rev. R. G. Hobbs, of Jacksonville, Ill., suggesting that a shipload of corn could be readily raised in that State for the relief of starving people in India, and desired the board of managers to the take measures for carrying out the plan. The board of managers adopted the following minute:

"That the plan proposed by Rev. R. G. Hobbs, one of our Methodist ministers in Jacksonville, Ill., be approved, and that the secretary be authorized to take the necessary measures to secure the corn and the means by special contributions from the general public for its transportation to All who are disposed to aid in this under-

taking may send contributions to the Rev. Dr. A. B. Leonard, corresponding secretary of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at 150 Fifth avenue, New

BROKE MANY BONES.

M. Lytle, a City Hospital Patient, Jumps Out of a Window.

Andrew M. Lytle, a druggist, who roomed at 251 East Washington street, has been a patient at the City Hospital for two or three weeks, suffering with brain trouble. He was considered a fit subject for the insane hospital and arrangements were being made for his transfer. Yesterday mornling he jumped out of a rear window on the third floor and received many injuries, from which it is probable he cannot recover. His right leg below the knee is shattered, his right wrist is fractured and there is a dislocation and fracture of bow. Besides, he is probably injured inter-

The Bone Snapped.

Isaac Revnolds met a curious accident yesterday afternoon. He was employed at 259 West Washington street, and was engaged in carrying some boxes into the place. While walking across the floor his foot tripped. He attempted to catch himself, but broke his left leg. There was apparently no strain on the leg, which should have caused the bone to break. At the City Hospital, where the bone was set, the physicians were of the opinion that some specific disease must have rendered the

last few months connected with the Journal, and lately with the News, has accepted the position of managing editor of the Lafayette Courier. Although a young man, Mr. Mavity's recognized ability as a newspaper man led to his selection to succeed Charles E. Wilson, who has been appointed private secretary to Governor-

Charles K. Mavity's New Position.

Charles K. Mavity, who was until the

The Going Forth. Now far along the darkened sward The winter snow is white. I will go forth to meet my Lord And welcome Him to-night. The solemn stars in heaven wait;

The swaying sea is dim.

I will go out beyond my gate And find my way to him. In lighted fanes the choirs of praise Lift up their anthem sweet. I will go forth along the ways To find and clasp His feet.

Across my hearth the night winds moan; My doors are opened wide, Into the night I pass alone To find my Christmastid. -Mabel Earle, 'n Harber's Eazar.

A Tramp's Confession. MANCHESTER, O., Dec. 23 .- While in a drunken stupor this afternoon a tramp named Huron Sobers confessed that he murdered Brakeman Nelson Schlagel, who was killed at Galion, O., Dec. 10, while trying to eject a band of tramps from a freight car. Sobers was arrested and placed in jail,

A reward of \$1,000 has been offered for the arrest of the murderer. Return of General Alger. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-Gen. Russell A. Alger, of Michigan, arrived from Liverpool



Depression, despondency and despair come to a women when there is any irregularity in the performance of the functions of her womanhood. Even healthy women are ner! ous, irritable, cross and blue when there is any slight derangement of the organs distinctively feminine. The whole body seems to be influenced by it. The nerves are on edge. Temper and tears come without apparent cause. These things show the importance of womanly health. These things show that there is great, urgent, constant need of such a remedy as Dr. Pierce's Fa-vorite Prescription. This great medicine works directly on but one set of organs in a woman's body. It soothes any inflammation that may be present. It purifies and invigorates. It cures when doctors have failed, and it does away with any necessity of distasteful examinations and local treatment, which are so frequently insisted upon by physicians. The "Favorite Prescrip-tion" is the preparation of an eminent and successful practitioner. It has been used by Dr. Pierce in his daily practice in the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., one of the leading medical institutions in the world. It has cured thousands of women and relieved them of the pains and distress that many times lead directly to death or insanity. It can be obtained at any drug store.

Every woman in America ought to have Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, and ought to read the several chap-ters of the book devoted to the reproductive physiology of wo-man. It is of the most vital importance that every woman should know about these things, and they are told in plain, sim-ple, straightforward language by a physician who has made a specialty of the diseases of women. The book contains over 1000 pages, and a copy, paper-covered may be obtained absolutely free by sending 21 one-cent stamps, to cover the cost of

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ing is desired, send to cents extra (31 cents in all).

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